

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Group Art Unit .....3754  
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Title: Ground Rod Cap

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 17, 2006**

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## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendment and remarks contained herein in response to the Office Action mailed November 17, 2006. Applicant respectfully submits that the amendment and remarks contained herein place the instant application in condition for allowance.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected by the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this document.